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In brief

Manage, reduce debt

Learn techniques to effectively manage and reduce debt.

Classes will be held 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Family Support Center classroom, Bldg. 743.

For more information, call 283-4204 for information and reservations.

Troy State University

Troy State University's last registration day is today for Term 5, which runs Monday through Aug 1.

Troy State University is located in Room 44A of the Base Education Center.

Registration hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 283-4449.

Pediatric Clinic news

The Pediatric Clinic is offering specialized appointment spots throughout the summer to accommodate children involved in sports.

Call 283-2778 to schedule an appointment.

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Lisa Norman

Tyndall Airmen preview new uniform

Senior Master Sgt. Gregory Nabors, 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels management flight superintendent from Hurlburt Field, gives a presentation of the Air Force's proposed utility uniform May 13 at the Enlisted Club.

Legal officials provide political activity guidance

SHEPPARD AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) — The upcoming presidential election. The war on terrorism. The 9/11 Commission.

There are a number of issues out there and an even greater number of opinions.

It is important to remember military members and Department of Defense civilian employees are subject to limits on their political activities, according to officials at the Sheppard Law Center.

Military members can find the rules for political participation in DoD Directive 1344.10, Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces

on Active Duty, and Air Force Instruction 51-902, Political Activities by Members of the Air Force.

Civilian employees are governed by Section 6-200 of the Joint Ethics Regulation.

For military members, failure to comply with these requirements may be chargeable under Article 92 of the UCMJ, failure to obey a lawful order or regulation.

The following is a list of permissible and prohibited political actions.

Active duty military members may:

- Register and vote
- Express an opinion on political candidates and issues, but not as a representative of the armed forces.

— Contribute money to a political organization, including parties and committees to elect specific candidates.

— Attend political meetings or rallies as a spectator when not in uniform.

— Join a political club and attend its meetings when not in uniform.

— Serve as an election official, if such service is not as a representative of a partisan political party, does not interfere with military duties, is performed while out of uniform, and has the prior approval of the major command commander or equivalent authority.

— Display a political sticker on the

member's private vehicle.

— Wear a political button when not in uniform and not on duty.

— Sign a petition for specific legislative action or a petition to place a candidate's name on an official election ballot if the signing does not obligate the member to engage in partisan political activity and is done as a private citizen.

— Write a personal letter, not for publication, expressing preference for a specific political candidate or cause.

Active duty military members may not:

— Be a candidate for or hold civil

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Chief discusses leadership, force development

CHIEF MASTER SGT. GERALD MURRAY
Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force

Leadership has always been deeply seeded in the soil of our Air Force. From the early leaders who transitioned us from the Army Air Corps into a separate service, to those who lead our Airmen on today’s battlefields around the world—strong, committed leadership has always been essential to our combat capability.

While leadership is not a new concept, we must continuously improve the way

we mature and develop our Airmen to lead, so they will be best prepared to meet the demands of the future. Force Development gives us a framework in which to do that. It allows us to take the great capability of our Airmen, and couple it with the right education, training, and experience to produce world-class leaders – our Airmen deserve nothing less.

For the first time, the essence of Air Force Leadership and Force Development has been captured and published in a core doctrine document – AFDD

1-1. This recently created document formally establishes, for the first time, the leadership levels – Tactical, Operational, and Strategic - and the force development principles that apply to all Airmen serving in our Air Force. It provides the correct focus for leaders at all levels, and provides the foundation for leadership development across the Air Force.

Please don’t let the word “doctrine” scare you off. The information is readable, credible and extremely relevant for

today’s Airmen, regardless of rank or position. I encourage each of you to take the time to read it and digest it. Within the doctrine, you should be able to find yourself in your current role, and apply the principles described to your mission today. AFDD 1-1 is available electronically at: www.e-publishing.af.mil/pubfiles/af/dd/afdd1-1/afdd1-1.pdf

It is through our leadership today that future generations will continue to serve in the Greatest Air Force in the World.

Team Tyndall continuous streak, garners more AETC awards

BRIG. GEN. LARRY NEW
325th Fighter Wing commander

Team Tyndall has done a superb job this year, gaining recognition through wing, command and Air Force channels. It is outstanding to see so many of our people and programs being recognized.

This week I have the pleasure of recognizing Lt. Col. Greg Par-

sons and his team of warriors comprising the 325th Services Squadron as they received five 2004 Air Education and Training Command Services Program and Flight Awards. The squadron’s Combat Support Flight was recognized for its fitness and sports program as well as its readiness program. Also, the squadron’s Community Sup-

port Flight received honors for its information, tickets and travel and outdoor recreation programs. Additionally, the squadron’s Marketing Flight came home a winner. The Services Squadron touches nearly every facet of life on Tyndall, and to see the men and women of the team receive these honors drives the point home that

they’re getting the job done! Congratulations to you all.

While the 325th Services Squadron certainly racked up the awards, a member of the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron can also add his name to Team Tyndall’s long list of command-level award winners. Senior Master Sgt. John Powers, 325th CES deputy fire chief, was named Air

Education and Training Command’s Department of Defense Military Fire Officer of the Year. What an outstanding accomplishment!

The folks providing fire protection and emergency services to Team Tyndall definitely have a tough job to do, but it’s one

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An Airman by any other name

ERIN ZAGURSKY
1st Fighter Wing public affairs

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. (AFPN) — “Public affairs, Erin Zagursky” is my standard phone-answering line, but the reply I get is never standard.

Many people call me “ma’am” and some call me “Ms. Zagursky” (or some creative variant of my last name). However, people most often respond to my telephone greeting by saying, “Hi, Airman Zagursky.”

The first few times this happened, I was quick to correct the callers, realizing it is easy to mistake my first name for “Airman.”

Eventually, I stopped correcting callers, because hearing what people would say after they called me “Airman” gave me a unique insight into what it must feel like to have a few stripes on my sleeves.

Most callers treat me with the same respect as they would if they knew I was actually a civilian. They are

polite and patient, kind and respectful.

Other callers treat me better than I would be treated if they knew I was a civilian. As an Airman, I’m part of the club. A sister in arms. A fellow bluesuiter.

But there are those callers who treat me, sadly, in the same way I imagine they treat all Airmen.

They talk slowly and with very small words to make sure I understand exactly what they say. They make me repeat messages to ensure I don’t mess anything up. Or, they immediately dismiss any help I may offer and ask for someone who knows what’s going on.

Just recently, one caller slowly and clearly gave me examples of aircraft that the Air Force has just in case I wasn’t aware of what service I was in.

I am always amazed by these people. The Airmen I work with are amazing professionals. One of them won

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Action Line

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

Action Line calls are recorded and staffed through the proper agency. The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers. If you’re not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the 325th Fighter Wing Inspector General’s Office, 283-4646. Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.


BRIG. GEN. LARRY NEW
325th Fighter Wing commander

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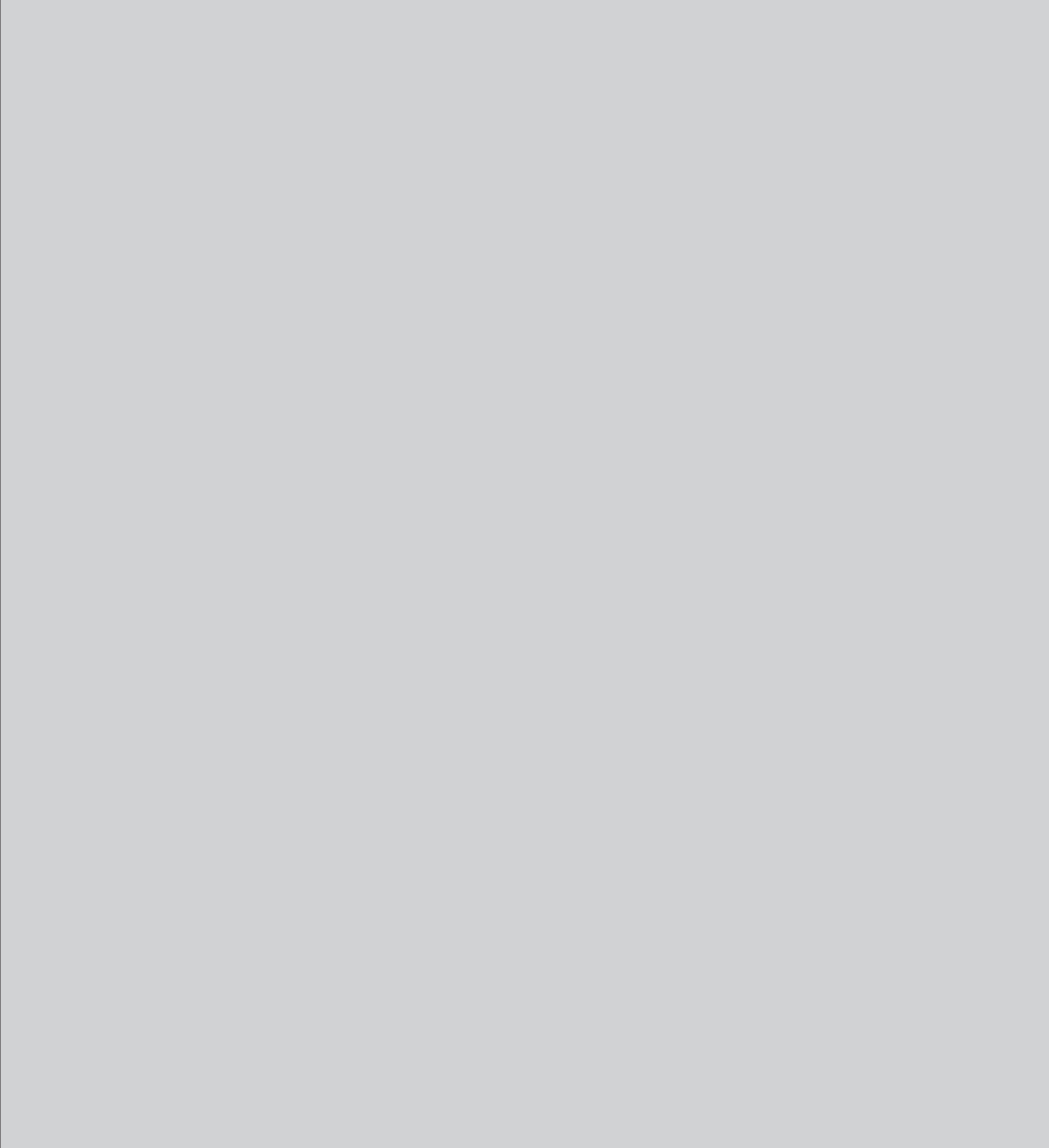
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Leader discusses multi-service, multi-mission installations

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ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. (AFPN) — A base is not just what is inside the fence. A base involves the community in which it resides, an Air Force official said.

Raymond DuBois, deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environment, said military families want good schools, good health care, safe and secure neighborhoods, good housing, spousal employment and reasonable commuting distances.

“Those communities who have paid attention to those types of quality-of-life issues are the ones I love to visit,” Mr. DuBois said.

Mr. DuBois traveled here with Nelson Gibbs, the assistant secretary of the Air Force for installations, environment and logistics, and Hansford Johnson, the assistant secretary of the Navy for installations and environ-

ment. Mr. DuBois said they traveled together to promote “jointness.”

“We fight jointly, and we train jointly,” Mr. DuBois said. “Whereas 25 years ago most installations were

In the 21st century, the

“The combat power of our country is metaphorically called the point of the spear, but the military installations and the support facilities and activities are the shaft behind that point and must be strong and balanced to guide the spear to its target.”

RAYMOND DuBOIS
Deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environment

single-service, single-mission, we are and must swiftly move toward multiservice and multi-mission installations. The fact that we’re here together is not just an expression, but a demonstration of our commitment to ‘jointness.’”

Mr. DuBois stressed the importance of military installations.

“The combat power of our country is metaphorically called the point of the spear, but the military instal-

shaft is made up of many defense installations and other activities at home and abroad, Mr. DuBois said.

“It’s a complex system,” he said. “It obviously requires the right people with the right skill sets, the right weapon systems, the right platforms and the right support systems working together efficiently and effectively. This complex system of military bases now more than ever must be properly aligned with our force structure to enable us to

detect, deter, defend and, when necessary, to defeat our foes.

“Today’s threats are no longer defined by a country’s boundaries or a specific region,” he said. “Technology has improved, and that improvement gives us certain flexibility we never had before when it comes to basing.”

He said Department of Defense officials found they are supporting infrastructure that is no longer needed at a cost to the American taxpayer.

“The Joint Chiefs of Staff have made it very clear that you can’t transform the military unless you transform the power-projection platform, called installations, upon which they are based,” he said.

As far as who will stay and who will go, Mr. DuBois said it is too soon to know.

“Every single installation will be treated equally and fairly, and will be analyzed by those who understand the type of function, facility and activity on that base,” he said.

● **FROM AIRMAN PAGE 2**

Air Combat Command’s new writer of the year, and the other taught me almost everything I need to know about media operations at the wing.

I know my situation isn’t unique. There are outstanding Airmen all over the base, and all over our Air Force

To assume an Airman is young or uneducated is absurd. Not only do they perform incredibly complex, life-or-death jobs every day, many of them are working toward degrees, if they have not already received them.

Many of them are mothers and fathers, wives and husbands, all working hard to balance school, career and a family.

Every chief, and even some colonels, started off with the rank of Airman. Some of the best officers I know started off with one or two stripes. They now use that experience to make them better leaders and mentors to the Airmen under their command.

Now when people mistake my first name for “Airman,” I don’t usually correct them, not only because I like to hear what they say next, but also because I’m proud to be associated with these outstanding professionals.

● FROM POLITICS PAGE 1

office except as authorized by DoD Directive 1344.10.

— Allow or cause to be published partisan political articles signed or authorized by the member for soliciting votes for or against a partisan political party or candidate.

— Speak before a partisan political gathering of any kind for promoting a partisan political party or candidate.

— Participate in any radio, television or other program or group discussion as an advocate of a partisan political party or candidate.

— Solicit or otherwise engage in fund-raising activities in federal offices or facilities, including military installations, for a partisan political cause or candidate.

— Make campaign contributions directly to a partisan political candidate.

— Sell tickets for or otherwise actively promote political dinners and other such fund-raising events.

— March or ride in a partisan political parade.

— Serve in any official capacity or be listed as a sponsor of a partisan political club.

— Perform clerical or other duties for a partisan political committee during a campaign or on election day.

— Engage in the public or organized recruitment of others to become partisan candidates for nomination or election to a civil office.

— Display a large political sign, banner or poster on the top or side of a member's private vehicle.

DoD civilian employees may:

— Do all of the political activities active duty military members may do.

— Be candidates for public office in nonpartisan elections.

— Assist in voter registration drives.

— Express opinions about candidates and issues, to include making speeches.

— Hold office in political clubs or parties.

— Distribute campaign literature in partisan elections.

— Be active at political rallies and meetings.

— Campaign for or against candidates in partisan elections, referendum questions, constitutional amendments or municipal ordinances.

DoD civilian employees may not:

— Use official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with or affecting the result of an election.

— Be candidates in partisan elections.

— Wear political buttons on duty.

— Solicit political contributions from the general public, subordinates or members of other federal labor or employee organizations.

— Engage in political activity while on duty, in any federal workplace, wearing an official uniform or displaying official insignia, or using a government or government-leased vehicle.

— Knowingly solicit or discourage the political activity of any person who has any business with DoD.

— Contribute to the political campaign of another federal employee who is in the employee's chain of command or supervision.

The most important thing to remember is to check the rules before engaging in a political activity. Also, when in doubt, seek further advice from a unit voting representative or the legal office.

● FROM AWARDS PAGE 2

they do well day in and day out. Congratulations, John, on your achievement, and best of luck at the Air Force level.

This certainly was a busy week for Team Tyndall. I was impressed with how well each of you performed throughout the hurricane exercise. I realize this is something we only practice and prepare for six months out of the year, and with new faces joining the team, it makes it more challenging as many have never experienced or been exposed to a natural disaster such as a hurricane. As I've said before, hurricane preparation is serious and it's a necessary part of our mission here. That said, we are one week away from the start of the hurricane season, and everyone needs to ensure they are prepared.

Have a great safe weekend and I'll see all of you next week.



Checkertail Salute

Senior Airman Tanya Mitchell



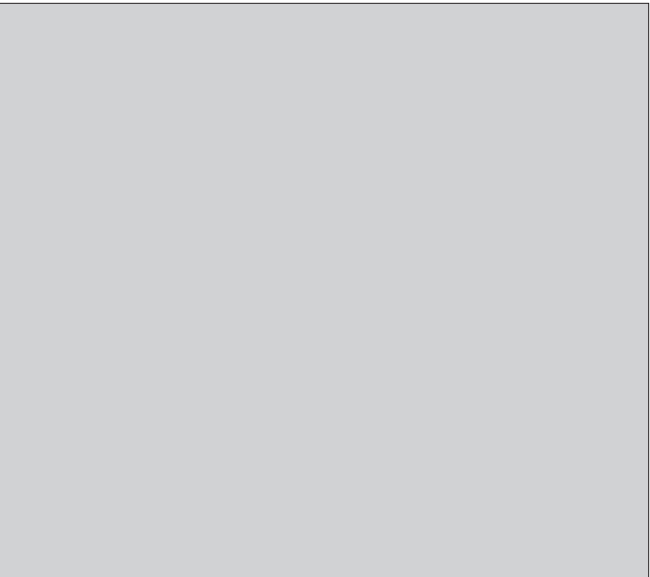
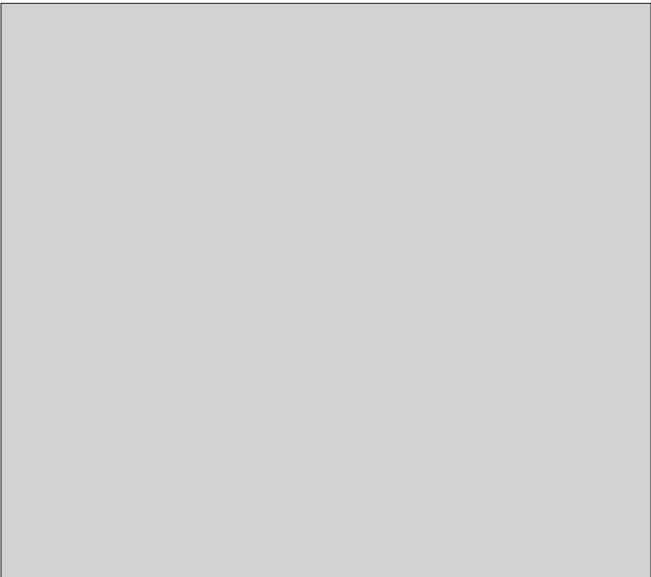
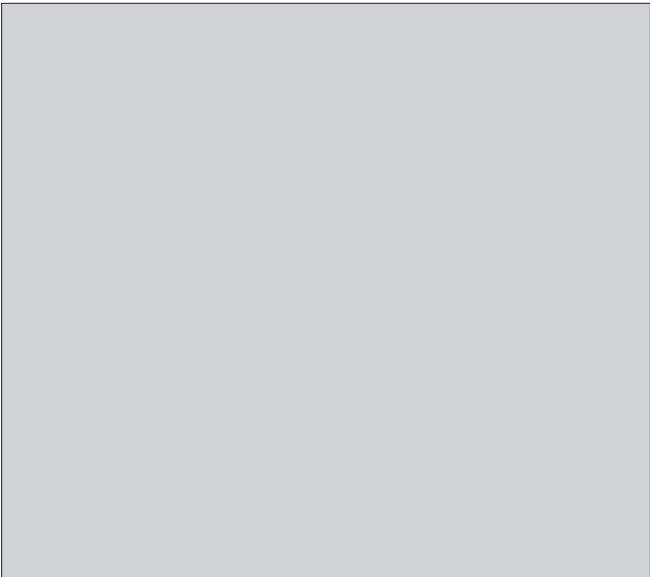
Steve Wallace

Airman Mitchell receives the Checkertail Salute Warrior of the Week award from Brig. Gen. Larry New, 325th Fighter Wing commander.

The Checkertail Clan salutes Airman Mitchell, who directly impacted the success and safety of the 2004 Gulf Coast Salute by conducting 26,000 physical searches of attendees. She also processed 377 incident reports into the security forces management information system, and processed 1,506 traffic citations and organized 222 accident reports for SFMIS.

The Checkertail Salute is a 325th Fighter Wing commander program designed to recognize Tyndall's Warrior of the Week. Supervisors can nominate individuals via their squadron and group commanders. Award recipients receive a certificate, letter from the commander and a one-day pass.

- Duty title:** 325th Security Forces Squadron reports and analysis clerk
- Time on station:** Two years
- Time in service:** 4.5 years
- Hometown:** Sylvania, Ohio
- Hobbies:** Watching movies, taking care of my family, cooking, going to the beach and fishing
- Goals:** To raise my daughter to be the best she can be, to receive a degree in criminal justice and be the best wife to my husband
- Pet peeves:** Missing socks when doing laundry, and people who breaking the law
- Favorite movie:** Radio
- Favorite thing about Tyndall:** The beautiful beaches and wonderful co-workers
- Proudest moment in the military:** Making the rank of staff sergeant



Reporting hazards essential for safe work environment

The 325th Fighter Wing Safety Office is kicking off Operation “Work Safe,” a safety campaign focusing on training Air Force employees on the USAF Hazard Reporting Program.

The Air Force must provide all employees a safe and healthful workplace. The prompt identification and correction of hazards is crucial in mishap prevention.

The USAF Hazard Reporting Program permits all Air Force personnel to alert supervisors and other appropriate officials of hazardous conditions requiring prompt corrective actions. Each supervisor and employee is required to report unsafe conditions and actions that violate standards or pose a risk to operations or personnel. Hazard reports may be submitted by any

person, military, or civilian assigned, attached to, or under contract to the Air Force.

Personnel should first inform the supervisor of the area involved with the hazard. The supervisor should be given every opportunity to abate the alleged hazard, prior to submitting an AF Form 457, USAF Hazard Report. When a hazard is eliminated (or abated) on the spot, no further action is required. However, when the hazard cannot be eliminated immediately it must be reported to the safety, fire prevention, or bioenvironmental office. This does not (always or necessarily) require the submission of a hazard report. It could be in the form of a phone call or in-person.

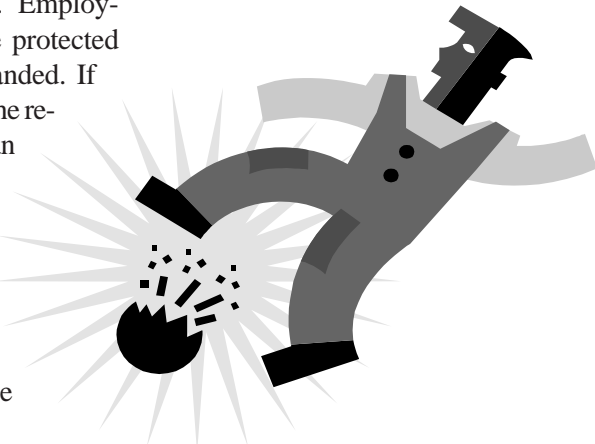
Hazard reports can be submitted anonymously, but for investigation purposes it is

recommended that the person identify themselves on the report. The investigating office may require additional information on the hazard.

Hazard report originators have the right of appeal if they are not satisfied with local action taken on a hazard report. Employees who appeal the report are protected against reprisal or being reprimanded. If employees are dissatisfied with the results of action taken to correct an identified hazard, they should re-submit the hazard report to the installation safety, fire, or bioenvironmental engineering office. The individual should request that the alleged hazard be reinvestigated and state the

reason(s) why. The installation safety, fire prevention, or bioenvironmental engineering office must respond within 10 duty days.

(Courtesy of 325th Fighter Wing Safety Office)



There's only one way
to come out ahead
of the pack.

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Everyone off the

Air Force ROTC cadets arrive at Tyndall Summer field training encampment

CHRISTINE SULLIVAN
325th Fighter Wing public affairs

By the time summer is over, more than 1,000 cadets from the Air Force ROTC will have descended upon Team Tyndall for field training and evaluation.

The focus of AFROTC field training is to provide evaluators a measure of active-duty officer compatibility for the cadets. Each cadet is evaluated in the areas of communication skills, duty performance, judgment and decision-making skills, professional qualities, leadership skills and field training adaptability.

"As a major Air Education and Training Command installation, Tyndall AFB is no stranger to producing outstanding airmen to perform the Air Force mission. From F-15 and F/A-22 pilot training to air battle manager training, Team Tyndall is recognized throughout the Air Force as a premier training location," said Col. Ken Menzie, AFROTC Field Training Unit 1 commander. "It makes perfect sense to perform officer accessions training here as well.

"The 29-day encampments allow Air Force ROTC to train and assess the military discipline and leadership potential of 1,080 officer candidates each year, and field training is, in most cases, a cadet's first exposure to a working Air Force environment and the Aerospace Expeditionary Force concept," he added.

"The field training program includes aircraft and aircrew orientation, an introduction to Air Force officer profes-

sional development, officership and leadership training, physical fitness, and AEF orientation."

AFROTC will send a total of more than 3,100 cadets to training units this year in addition to 177 active duty officers, 51 non-commissioned officers and 191 cadet training assistants.

"While here, the cadets will learn numerous leadership responsibility lessons through academic lessons as well as hands-on leadership opportunities. The cadets will be tested and evaluated on their current leadership abilities as well as their future leadership potential," Colonel Menzie said. "Even though cadets typically participate in two years of academic classes before field training and two years of academic classes after field training, this is the only real opportunity for them to be placed into a high-stress environment and adequately be evaluated on their leadership potential under pressure."

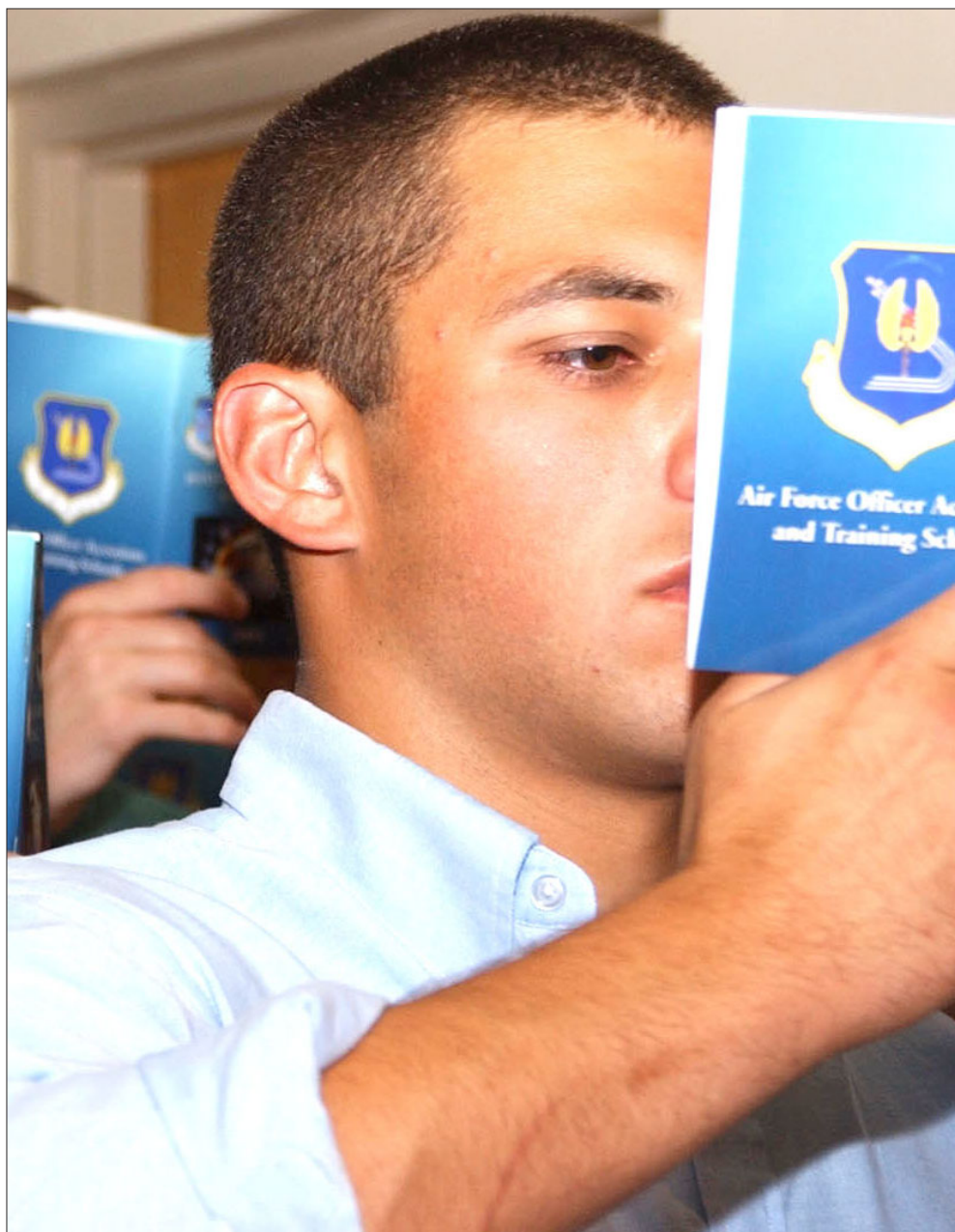
Almost half of these cadets will have an opportunity to participate in jet orientation training and will participate in the confidence course, a 72-hour field training exercise and a leadership reaction course.

"Cadets who participate in JETO take a 30-minute flight in a T-37 aircraft. The experience is designed to motivate the cadets and to help orient them to Air Force flying operations," Colonel Menzie said.

For many officer candidates, this will be the only opportunity they will have to fly in the pilot's seat of an

Right: AFROTC cadets read their warrior guides, containing Air Force facts, figures, standards of behavior and history, while waiting to inprocess moments after arriving here. Cadets receive the books upon arrival and are instructed to read them every spare moment during field training.

Below: Senior Airman Noah Hernandez, 433rd Training Squadron military training instructor, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, corrects a cadet while he stands in formation waiting to enter Tyndall's Enlisted Club to inprocess May 13.



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Air Force aircraft.”

The 19th AF coordinates 180 slots for each field training encampment.

The allotment of slots is driven by mission requirements at the pilot training bases and in part, by the logistics involved in moving cadets and the aircraft together.

The 325th Fighter Wing provides the facilities and base support necessary for AFROTC to conduct three field training deployments each summer.

Logistics and support for encampments includes computer and communications equipment, increased staff at the Berg-Liles dining facility and renovations to the dormitories where needed.

“Every base agency here has supported our requests for personnel, information and infrastructure,” said Capt. Jill Owens, special projects officer for Tyndall I AFROTC. “We are very grateful for Team Tyndall’s support.”

Dates for this year’s encampments at Tyndall extend from May 13 to Aug. 20, and each field training unit will have approximately 350 cadets along with 46 cadre and training assistants.

AFROTC is the oldest and largest commissioning source with more than 212,000 graduates since 1948. Units are located at 144 colleges and universities throughout the continental U.S., Puerto Rico, the Hawaiian Islands and Alaska in addition to a cross-town agreement with 900 additional institutions.



Cadets arrive to Tyndall for AFROTC training and are ushered by a cadet training assistant into a line to unpack their belongings.



Cadets work together to unpack their things upon arrival May 13. For most cadets, this is their first experience in an Air Force work environment.



Above: Tech. Sgt. Edward Rivera, 433rd Training Squadron military training instructor from Lackland briefs the cadets on the protocol they should observe during their various appointments throughout the day.

Left: A cadet inprocesses at the Tyndall Enlisted Club. All cadets must stand at attention during inprocessing.



While mom’s away, dad pulls double duty

SUSAN GRIGGS
81st Training Wing public affairs

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. (AETCNS) — Staff Sgts. Denete and Lucas Applewhite agree 3-year-old twin boys are the toughest part of a deployment.

“We’re all still alive,” joked Lucas, a combat arms instructor in the 81st Security Forces Squadron, who’s taking care of the children while his wife is deployed to Iraq.

Denete is serving as information manager for the Coalition Provisional Authority at the Presidential Palace Governance Office in Baghdad on her first deployment in seven years in the Air Force.

“Missing my family has been pretty hard,” said Denete, assistant functional systems administrator and workgroup manager for 81st Training Wing staff agencies. “When you’re talking on the phone and you hear, ‘Mommy, when you coming home?’ ... that’ll kill you.”

“The key is keeping in touch,” Lucas said of the separation. “We have a digital camera that takes movie clips, so we try to send a short video of the boys every couple days. That way, she gets to hear their voices and see them a lot, and she calls as often as she can so they can talk to her.”

He’s been deployed twice since he joined the Air Force seven years ago: to France in support of Operation Joint Guard in 1998 and Italy in support of Operation Allied Force in 1999.

“After work, I pick them up from preschool and fix them supper, then get them to play and race each other around the yard to use up some of that energy,” Lucas said. Then baths and bed and it’s time to start all over again.

“Everyone has been supportive — from watching the boys for a couple of hours so I can run errands to the

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STAFF SGT. DENETE APPLEWHITE
81st Training Wing staff agencies assistant functional systems administrator

wing personnel pitching in to buy the boys toys.”

Denete, who landed in Baghdad Feb. 26, described her deployed duties as “taking care of any office duty that’s presented to me.”

At first, her home was a tent.

“But don’t think that it came without its amenities,” she said. “It had air and heat and twin beds. When you’ve been here about a month and a half, you’ll end up in a trailer with a roommate. It basically consists of two rooms connected by a full bathroom. It’s actually nice.”

Denete said the morale, welfare and recreation pro-

grams are a plus.

“We have two gyms and one is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week,” she said. “There’s a swimming pool at the back of the palace that’s really nice to sit at during any hour of the day. Our base exchange isn’t too shabby.”

When she first arrived in Baghdad, the high morale and strong work ethic surprised her.

“You’d think that living in the middle of the desert would really bring morale down, even if you’re living and working at the Presidential Palace,” she remarked. “But on the contrary, you should see the people who work here.”

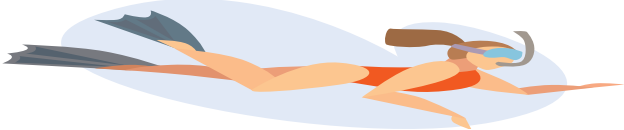
The best part of the deployment for Denete has been the teamwork with people from the other services.

“You have Marines, sailors, soldiers and Airmen working side by side,” she said. “It’s really a beautiful thing to see all of us pull together to accomplish the mission.

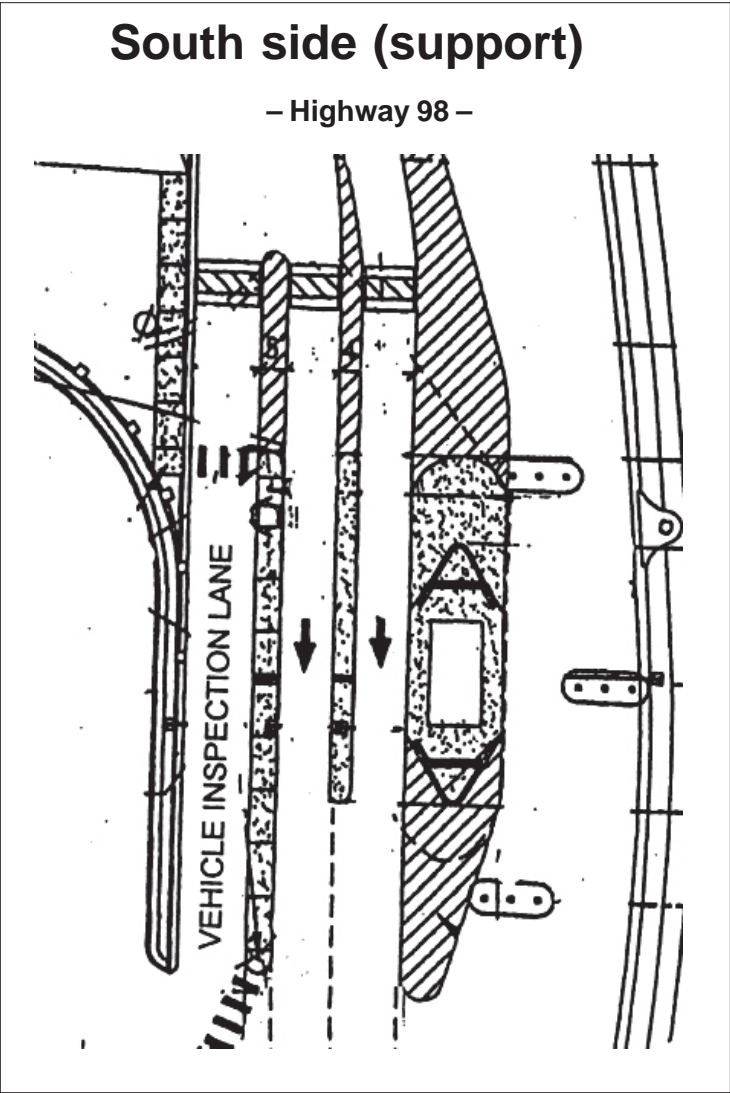
She recently went to Tadj, north of Baghdad, to help hire commanders for the new Iraqi army.

“You really should see the pride and smiles on the faces of these soldiers,” she said. “It’s so wonderful. I’m trying to get the word out to everyone that the media, in all of its genius, doesn’t report the good stuff. I’m here to tell you that so many great things are happening over here.”

Denete is expected to return to her family at Keesler in late May.



Every member of Team Tyndall is valuable. Play it safe, don't become a statistic.

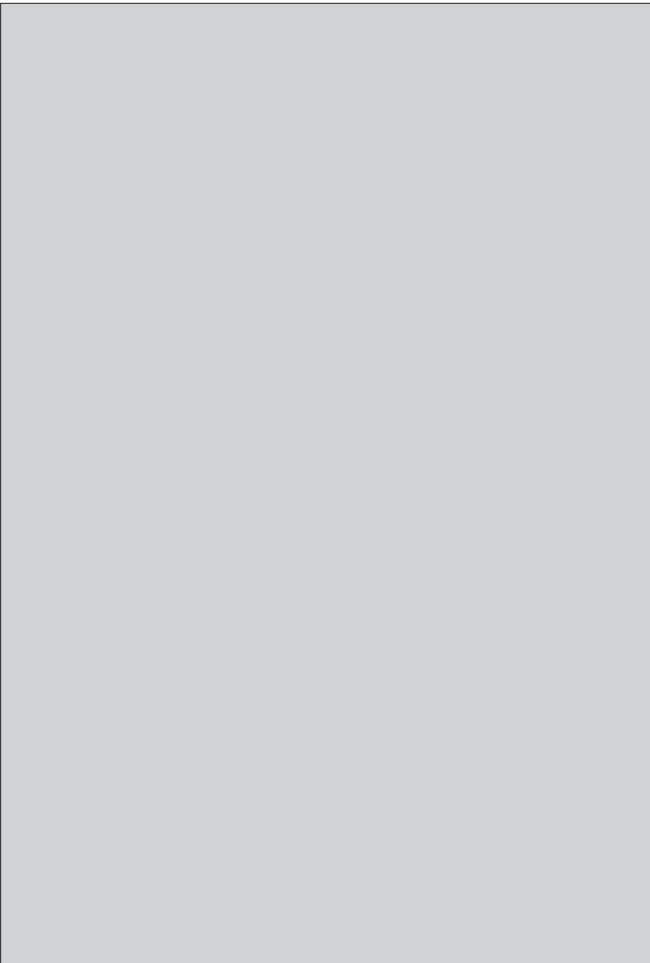
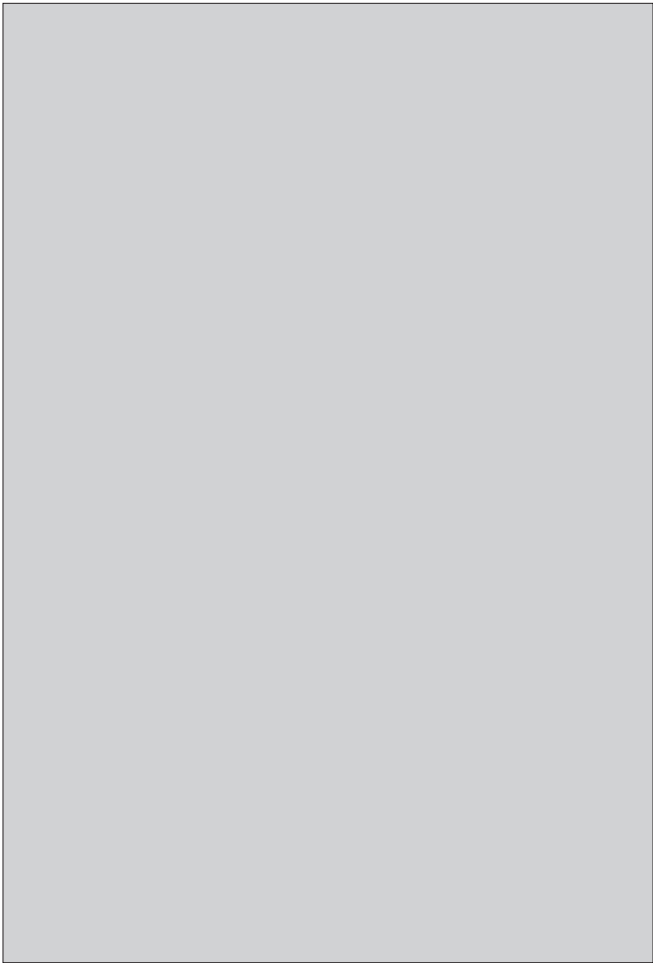
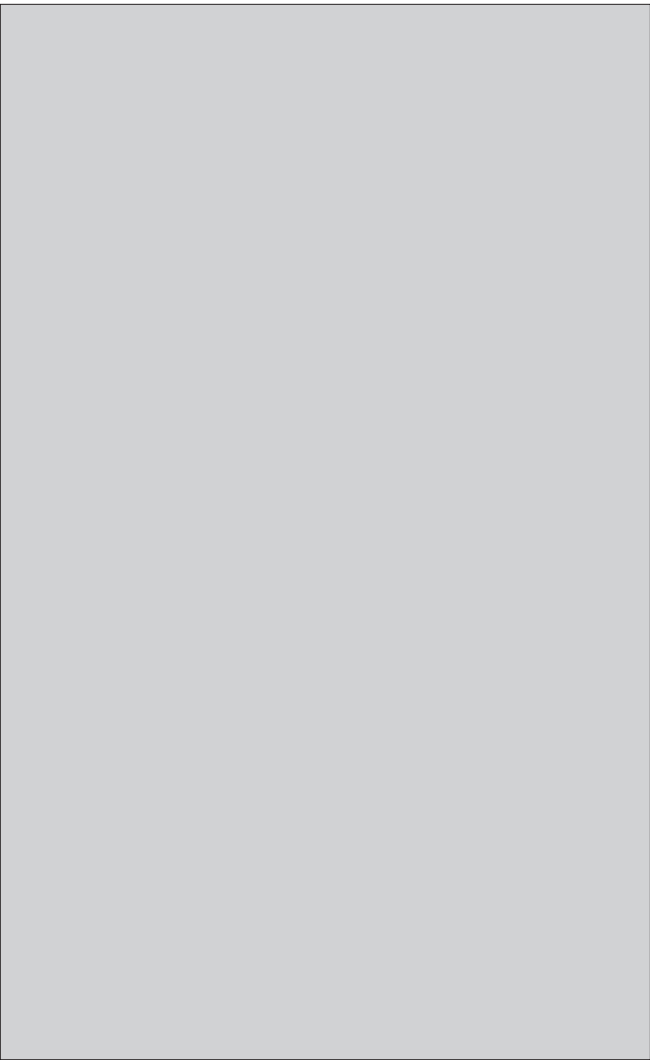
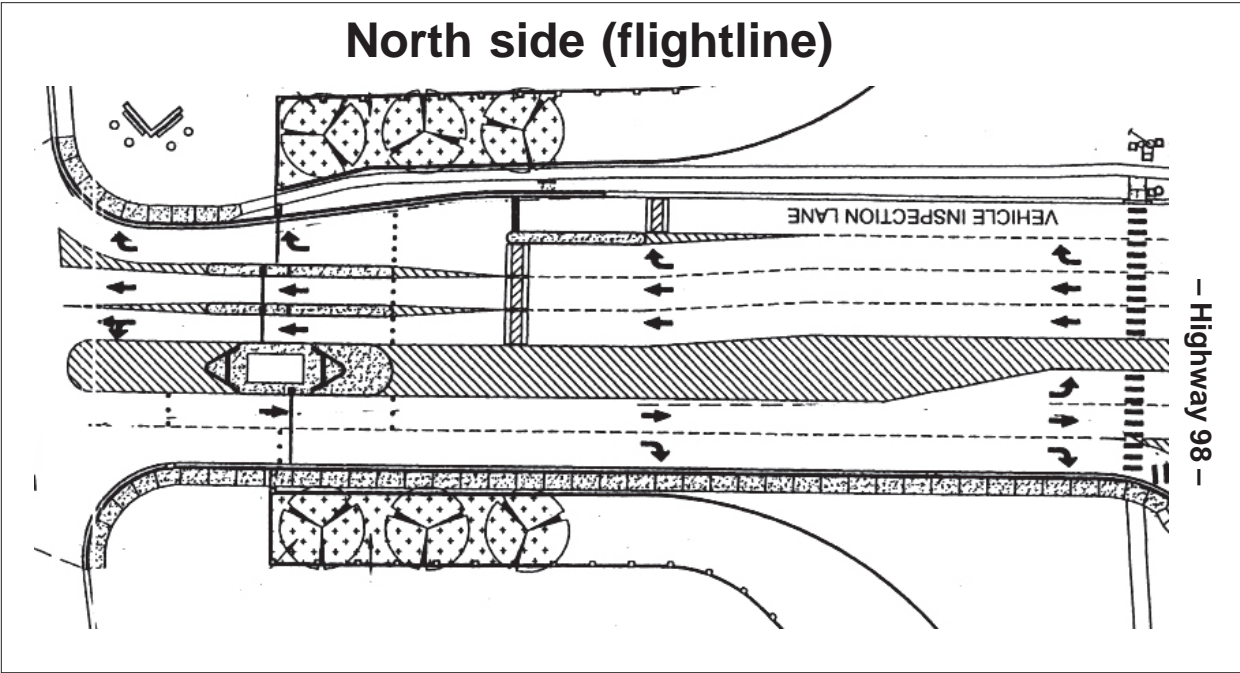


New gates open Monday

The Illinois and Tyndall gates will re-open 5 a.m. Monday. At that time, the Dixie and Louisiana gates will be closed to traffic. The Tyndall Gate (flightline side) will now have three incoming lanes with the rightmost lane designated right-turn only onto Alabama Avenue. The center and left lanes extend to Florida Avenue, where they are left and right turn only. The Illinois Gate (support side) has two in-

coming lanes that extend to the stoplight at Suwannee Road. The left lane will be left-turn only at Suwannee Road, and the right is designated for traffic traveling on Illinois Avenue or turning right on Suwannee Road. Both gates also have new vehicle search lanes, to conduct random vehicle inspections. Please be cautious when entering and exiting the new gates.

(Courtesy of 325th Civil Engineer Squadron)





Jim Weslowski

Turtle loving care

Joe Maples, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron law enforcement officer, pre-positions turtle protection cages at Crooked Island. Turtles will start nesting on Tyndall's beaches soon and are slated to be here for the next four months. If anyone locates an unprotected turtle nest, they can call Natural Resources at 283-2641.

Events

Fitness opportunities

- Women's Varsity softball players are needed, for more information, call 283-2505.
- The Muscle Beach Powerlifting competition will be June 5, applications now available at the Fitness center through June 3.
- There will be a 1.5 mile fun run 5:45 a.m. June 8, starting point is the beachhouse in the beach parking lot.

Stress classes

The Life Skills Support Center is offering the following two-session classes on June 2 and 9, and July 14 and 22: "How to Beat Stress" from 10 a.m. to noon, "Depression and you" from 1 – 2 p.m., "Getting a handle on my anxiety" from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Classes are located in the Family Support Center classroom and are offered to everyone age 18 and over. Call 283-7511 to sign up.

New Information Assurance Office

The Wing IA Office is now located at

Bldg. 530 on the flightline side of the base. For more information, please contact Mr. David Aguirre at 283-2907.

Thrift Shop

Consignments may be brought in every Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Twenty items may be consigned each day (10 of which may be spring/summer clothing). Regular shopping hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. The Thrift Shop is located at 743 Suwannee Drive across from the post office. Phone: 286-5888.

Hurricane briefings

In preparation for the upcoming hurricane season the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron Readiness Flight will be conducting hurricane preparedness briefings at 9 a.m. each Monday in May in the Enlisted Club. All base personnel and their dependents are encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact the Readiness Flight at 283-2010.

Retiree X-rays discontinued

Due to an anticipated manning shortage,

the Tyndall Dental Service will have to temporarily discontinue its radiograph (x-ray) service for retirees starting Monday. This service is scheduled to resume in September.

Classifieds

Chow/mix puppies

Two male, predominately Chow Chow/mix puppies available to a good home. Cost is \$50, money will go to charitable causes. New owner will receive a certificate for neutering services. For more information or photo, call Sarah 819-4064 or Lauren 866-0070.

Household items:

Crate and Barrel veranda sofa, \$750-firm; bunk bed- solid wood, \$150 w/free twin mattress; Beauty Rest queen mattress and box spring-, \$275; Sealy Posture Premier full-size mattress; \$75; Game-Boy Advance games, \$10 each; solid wood dining table w/leaf, \$250 includes 4 wood chairs. For more information, call 286-1824 or 624-3267.

Lighted roll top desk \$150; 300 designer ladies outfits, sizes 10 to 14 \$3 each; several lamps available \$5 to \$25; propane outdoor grill \$75; two rattan chairs \$50 each; oval dining room table rattan glass with six rattan chairs \$500; four wood barstools with cushions \$60; 51" Phillips Magnavox television, less than one year old, \$900; six-piece birch wood bedroom set that includes dresser, queen bed, headboard, night table; chest of drawers, mirror, less than one year old, \$850; two-piece sofa, loveseat, cream colored Italian leather, \$800; white wood top baker's rack, never used, \$80; country farm white wooden table with four matching chairs \$250. Call 871-1045.

Wanted:

White wicker furniture set. Call 648-3068

Retiree news

TRICARE retail pharmacy transitions

Beginning Jun 1, 2004, the TRICARE Retail Pharmacy program will be run by Express Scripts Inc. Beneficiaries and caregivers are encouraged to close out outstanding paper claims from medications obtained prior to June 1. Paper claims resulting from the use of non-network pharmacies or submitted for reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses not covered by other health insurance, should be submitted to the current claims processor of your regional managed care support contractor until Aug 31, 2004. After that date, Express Scripts Inc. will be responsible for any outstanding claims.

Chapel Schedule

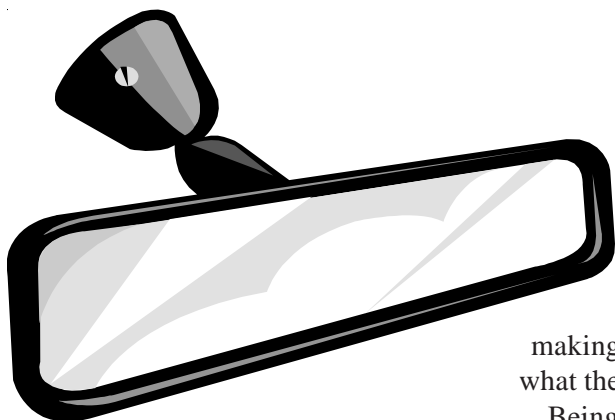
Catholic services will be held at Chapel 2:

Daily Mass, 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday
Reconciliation (before Saturday Mass or by appointment)
Saturday Mass, 5 p.m.
Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.
Religious Education, 11 a.m. Sunday.

Protestant services at Chapel 1:

Communion service, 9:30 a.m., Chapel 1
Religious Education classes, 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Building 1476
General Protestant service, 11 a.m., Chapel 2.

Drive aware: Watch for motorcyclists



Nearly half of all accidents involving cars and motorcycles occur in normal road conditions. Unfortunately, two-thirds of those accidents are caused by the car's driver.

The failure of motorists to detect motorcycles is the most frequent cause of accidents for motorcyclists. Typically, the motorist states "I didn't see the motorcycle."

There are many reasons drivers may not see motorcycles, such as looking for

other cars rather than motorcycles. Sometimes, the driver sees the motorcyclist, but there is no time to respond, thus an accident occurs. Also, a motorcycle's smaller profile makes it more difficult to see, and a motorcyclist's riding pattern differs from that of a car, making it harder to judge and predict what the rider will do next.

Being aware of your surroundings is a key ingredient to ensuring the safety of motorcyclists. Know what to expect, and know the types of situations that can lead to an accident or where accidents are likely to occur. Continuously scanning the area around you will help you to identify a motorcycle you hadn't noticed. Also, paying extra attention at intersections, especially during uncontrolled turn conditions, can prevent a driver from colliding with a motorcycle or other vehicle.

If you are following a motorcyclist, drive defensively, and anticipate the

motorcyclist's maneuvers. Motorcycle riding requires frequent lane movements to adjust for changing road conditions. Expect this and allow extra room for the motorcyclist to maneuver.

In all instances, drivers should signal their intentions. Even if there are no cars visible, use your vehicle's turn signal. If there is a motorcyclist near, that you didn't see, this will help to alert the rider. Additionally, drivers should regard motorcycles as full-size vehicles. Give the motorcyclist the full lane with plenty of room in front and behind. Using the two second rule, keeping the distance between your vehicle and the motorcycle at least the same distance your vehicle is traveling in a two second interval, is

a good rule of thumb. However, in some instances or conditions it is advised to allow more space.

Remember, the slightest contact or abrupt movement into the path of a motorcyclist can mean a crash with potentially serious injuries or death for the rider. Be a friendly motorist, and drive aware.

(Courtesy of 325th Fighter Wing Safety Office)

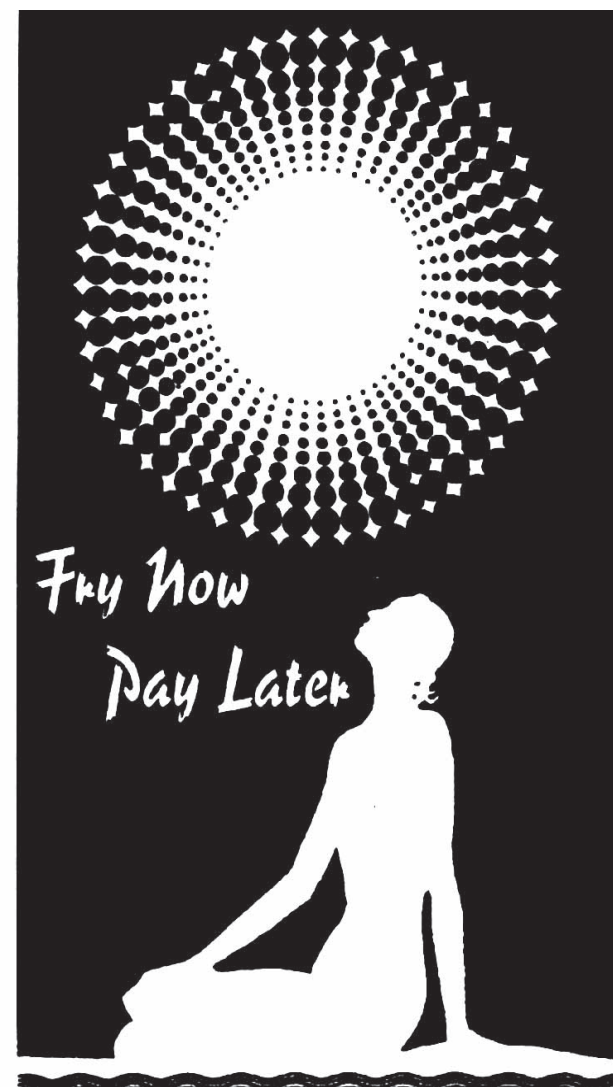


Steve Riddle

Golf champion

Dan Aguirre goes for a birdie on the 13th green at Pelican Point Golf Course's annual Base Championship Tournament Saturday. Ben Leestma beat out 41 other golfers to win the two-day event with a total score of 148. The next big tournament at Pelican Point will be the annual Club Championship Tournament Sept. 18 - 19.

The AETC Youth Golf Program begins two-week golf lessons June 7, with sessions also beginning June 21, July 12 and 26. Cost is \$59.95 for first-time participants and \$30 for return players. Along with the chance to play in a tournament at the end of each session, participants will also receive their own set of rental clubs, a golf bag, hat, T-shirt, instruction booklets, and bag tags. The golf course is still accepting registration for the program, but classes are filling up fast. For more information on this or any upcoming Pelican Point Golf Course events, call 283-4389.





Funshine NEWS

May 21, 2004

www.325thservices.com

NCOIC Needed

NCOIC needed for highly visible Base Honor Guard program. Minimum requirements:

1. Must be a SSgt or above and have complete 7-level training.
2. Must possess 16 months retainability.
3. Must have experience with Microsoft Word, Power Point and Excel.
4. Must present a positive personal image and possess the ability to brief upper echelons of military and civic leaders alike.
5. Experience in Honor Guard preferred, but not required. Use the targeted resume format from the Tongue and Quill and turn in to the OIC, 2 Lt Carolyn Czepiga, X1108, NLT Jun 16. A selection board will be held the week of June 21-25 and results will follow soon after. Training/Start date for the position is tentative for July 1.

Marina Club

☎ 283-3059

Best Salad Bar on Base

All you can eat with soft drink \$5.95.

Social Hours

Every Friday evening from 5:30-7:30 p.m. followed by a club card drawing for cash. (Must be present to win.)

Members Only Pot Luck Night

Every Saturday at the Marina Club.

Annual Fishing Tournament

10 Categories, Cash Prizes. \$30 entry fee. Call for more information.

All Ranks Lunch**at the Officers' Club**

Mon.-Thurs.: \$6.95 ■ Friday: \$7.95
11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Unlimited access to the daily buffet, salad bar, fountain soda, tea & coffee!

Includes Fresh, Hot, Carved Meat Sandwiches on Kaiser Roll

Monday	Chef's Choice
Tuesday	Italian
Wednesday	Oriental
Thursday	All American
Friday	Seafood

*Members, show your club card to receive a \$1 discount!

On Base Food Delivery

■ **Lunch Menu:** Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Limited to office deliveries (i.e. squadron addresses)

■ **Evening Menu:** Fri. & Sat. 5:30-9 p.m.

Subs & Pizzas**286-2900****Crazy Cash Give-away at the O' & E Clubs Fridays during Social Hour.**

Jackpot starts at \$100. The first member name drawn is for the jackpot. If there is no winner \$25 will be added to next week's jackpot (max. \$500). Once the name is drawn the winner has 5 minutes to claim their prize. If the winner fails to claim their prize a second drawing will be held from bar receipts for \$25.

283-4357 for details**Community Center**

☎ 283-2495

Music Room

We have drums, keyboards and guitars available for you to play, all in one room.

Ship Fed Ex with Us! Fed Ex Express Services Which include:

Priority Overnight Economy 2 Day
Standard Overnight Express Saver 3 Day

Our rates beat the others!

Packages must be at the Community Center by 1:30 p.m. for Overnight. Exclusions exist. Limit 10 lbs.

Call the CAC for details: 283-2495

Youth Center

☎ 283-4366

Archery Camp

Hit the bulls-eye and sign up for Archery Camp for boys and girls ages 8-15 yrs. The program runs May 24-28 at 9 a.m. cost is \$10. The camp emphasizes safety and archery fundamentals. Call Andy at 283-4366 for more details.

Start Smart Soccer

Score a goal and sign your 3-5 year old up for Start Smart Soccer. Work one-on-one with your child developing basic skills. The program dates are June 5, 12, 19, 26 at 9 a.m. Cost is \$30. Call Andy at 283-4366 for more information.

Youth Golf League

Sign up for the Youth Golf League for ages 8 and up and enjoy friendly team competition. The league runs June 7, 14, 21, 28 & July 11, 18, 25, at 10 a.m. Skill evaluations will be held on June 7. Cost is \$40 and includes a hat and shirt. Registration deadline is Fri., June 5, at 5 p.m. and golf clubs are recommended.

Surf's Up

Schedule a weekday or weekend class and learn basic surfing techniques and ocean awareness in a safe environment. Classes are held at St. Andrews State Park and transportation is provided. Cost is \$40 per 2 hour session. Contact Andy at 283-4366 for more details.

Pelican Point Golf Course AETC Youth Golf Clinic June 7 & 21, July 12 & 26

Each session - Monday, Wednesday, Friday

For 2 weeks each

2 Sessions per day 8 & 9 a.m.

Cost: \$59.95 first time participant

\$30 repeat participant

Total value: \$185.00 worth of clubs, bag, hat, shirt, instruction booklets, bag tags, and tournament

Sign-up: No later than 14 days before clinic starts.

Call the Golf Pro Shop for more information: 283-4389

34th Annual

Panama City Open

Spearfishing Tournament**June 18-20, 2004**

at the Tyndall Marina Club

Important Dates & Times:

Registration/Mandatory Safety Meeting:
6:30 p.m., June 17, 2004

This is mandatory for all competitors.

Competition: 6 a.m., June 18 - 12 p.m., June 20

Weigh-ins: June 18 & 19, 5-8 p.m.,

June 20, 9 a.m. - noon

Only those divers who have notified the weigh master in person and are waiting in line at the cutoff time to weigh fish are eligible.

Awards Ceremony will follow the last weigh-in when scores are tabulated.

Fish Fry: Starts at 11 a.m. on Sunday
(Open to the Public)

For more information call:

283-3059**Bonita Bay**

☎ 283-3199

Base Pool Info:

The base pool is now open for open swim for weekends only: 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Pool is open for lap swim 6-8 p.m., 11-11:30 a.m.; 5-6:30 p.m., Tues.-Fri.: FREE Water aerobics begin: May 18 on Tuesday and Thursday 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. Pool opens for open swim during the week on May 19; Wed & Fri from 11:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Thurs. 12:30-6:30 p.m. Pool passes: \$40 per person and \$5 for each additional person up to 3 and free to all other family members from the same family. 30 punch card for \$25 or \$1.00 per day.

Skills Development Ctr.

☎ 283-4511

Youth Arts & Crafts Summer Camp

Fee is \$10 for three days (Tues.-Thur.) 1-3 p.m. Fee includes summer camp t-shirt and supplies to make a different art project per day.

Agenda: June 15. Orientation tour of the facility with an embroidery machine demonstration. Students will design their own t-shirt.

June 16, Students will construct bookends in the wood shop.

June 17, Students will design their own print and learn to frame the print properly in the frame shop.

The camp is open to children 8 yrs. and older. Max. of 8 per session. Must register by June 8. If you cannot attend all three days, you may register for one of the days. Cost is \$5 per day.

**2004 Muscle Beach Bench Press and Powerlifting Competition**

June 5 Weigh-Ins begin at 9 a.m. Competition begins at 10 a.m.

Participants must be 16 year of age or older.

Participants must register by June 3

The competition is open to all Active Duty, Reservists, DoD employees, Government Contractors, Retirees and family member.

For details call: 283-2631

Tyndall AFB, Florida

34th Annual Panama City Open
at the Tyndall Marina Club

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For more information call:

283-3059

Receiving a new MyPay PIN just got easier

ARLINGTON, Va. (AFPN) — Defense Finance and Accounting Service officials announced May 12 that Airmen can receive personal identification numbers for myPay through their official Air Force e-mail accounts.

Airmen can expect to receive a new or updated PIN within two hours of requesting it on the myPay Web site.

The e-mail PIN delivery process is a simpler, faster alternative to the direct mail and in-person request methods previously available, DFAS officials said. This capability is especially timely as more people are realizing the benefits of accessing myPay from remote and deployed sites.

Customers can view, print and save leave and earnings statements, make adjustments to federal and state tax withholdings, update bank account and electronic transfers and change address information, all online at mypay.dfas.mil. The Web site is available to all servicemembers, military retirees and annuitants, and Departments of Defense and Energy civilian employees.



Law Day 2004: Celebrating 50th anniversary of Brown Vs. Board

1ST LT. ROBERT CARIDAD
Base Legal Office

“We conclude that in the field of public education the doctrine of ‘separate but equal’ has no place. Separate educational facilities are inherently unequal.” So wrote Chief Justice Earl Warren for a unanimous United States Supreme Court fifty years ago. This month we celebrate those powerful words, as the fiftieth anniversary of the Supreme Court’s landmark *Brown v. Board of Education* decision.

Law Day, a national event held in May each year is designed to remind Americans of our heritage of liberty under law and alert them to the role they play as citizens in protecting and preserving our freedoms. This day should be of particular importance to military members, as it is a reminder of the principles we are each sworn to uphold and protect.

This year, we celebrate *Brown v. Board* as a significant milestone in United States history. Prior to Chief Justice Warren’s decision, the Supreme Court precedent held that the doctrine of “separate but equal” did not violate the “Equal Protection Clause” of the 14th Amendment, a principle established by the 1896 case *Plessy v. Ferguson*. However, the

court revisited the concept in *Brown v. Board*. Initiated and organized by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Topeka, Kan., *Brown v. Board* was brought before the Supreme Court in 1952 as a combination of five cases from various parts of the country, representing nearly 200 plaintiffs. Relying in part on the expert testimony of psychologists and educators, who

noted the marked sense of inferiority fostered by official segregation, the court explicitly rejected “separate but equal” in the context of public education.

This year, the 325th Fighter Wing legal office will recognize Law Day with a series of informative initiatives around Tyndall. An event of special interest to all members of the Tyndall com-

munity, the Base Legal Office has teamed with the Base Library to put a spotlight on this year’s theme. Stop by the library to browse through their collection of literature on our Constitution, our legal system, and the important figures who influenced our law in general and *Brown v. Board* in particular. A display will feature various highlights about *Brown v. Board*, including some interesting bits of trivia and some eye-opening truths about the case and its key figures.

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